ATTACHMENT A

Clean Replacement/New Claims (entire set of pending claims)

Following herewith is a clean copy of the entire set of pending claims.

1. (amended) A conveying arrangement for conveying foodstuffs including a conveying surface for conveying a foodstuff, characterized by a decontamination arrangement comprising a first cleaner which comprises a sprayer and is adapted to mechanically remove food debris from the conveying surface, and a second cleaner, downstream of the first cleaner, for subjecting said surface to ultraviolet irradiation.

2 A convoying arrangement according to claim 1-in-which the conveying means is a belt.

S. (amended) A conveying arrangement according to claim 1 in which the first eleaner includes one or more of brushes and scrapers.

- 4. A conveying arrangement according to claim 3 in which the first cleaner comprises a rinse/clean unit having means for directing liquid onto the conveying surface and a brush or scraper such as a rotating brush-roller-for-acting on the conveying surface wetted by the liquid.
- 5. (amended) A conveying arrangement according to claim 1 in which the second cleaner applies UV radiation right across the conveying surface at a power of at least 2 W/m².
- 6. (amended) A conveying arrangement according to claim 1 in which said first cleaner and/or said second cleaner acts on the conveying surface at a flexure thereof.
- 7. (amended) A conveying arrangement according to claim 1 comprising a detection unit positioned adjacent the conveying surface downstream of at least the first cleaner, to



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detect the presence of any residual matter on the conveying surface after the action of said cleaner.

8 (amended) Food processing apparatus comprising a conveying arrangement according to claim 1.

- 9. (amended) A decontamination arrangement comprising first and second cleaners as specified in claim 1, adapted for fitting to an existing foodstuff conveying arrangement.
- 10. A decentamination arrangement according to claim 9 which includes a liquid containment chamber with entry and exit openings for the conveyor.
- 11. (amended) A method of adapting a conveyor system by adding to it a decontamination arrangement to form a conveyor arrangement as defined in claim 1.
- 12. A method of decontaminating a conveying surface of a foodstuff conveyor, comprising a first step of mechanically removing debris from the conveying surface by a process comprising spraying, and a second step of subjecting said surface to ultraviolet irradiation.
- 13. A method according to claim 12 in which-the first step includes one or more of brushing and scraping of the conveying surface.
- 14. (amended) A method according to claim 12 further comprising monitoring the cleanliness of the conveyor surface downstream of at least the first step.
- 15 A method according to claim 14 comprising modifying, preferably automatically, the first and/or second cleaning steps-in-dependence on said monitored cleanliness of the conveyor surface.

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